2000 Census Profile for Wichita and Sedgwick County Part 4





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The purpose of this report is to present data collected by the 2000 Census and illustrate conditions occurring within the Wichita-Sedgwick County population. The following table shows Wichita and Sedgwick County median or average figures for some of the key economic indicators included in the latest release of 2000 Census information. It also gives data for some of the age related demographics of the population. The 1990 data is given for comparison.

| | Sedgwick County | | Wichita | |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|----------|----------|----------|
| | 1990 | 2000 | 1990 | 2000 |
| Median Value of Owner | \$58,500 | \$83,600 | \$56,700 | \$78,900 |
| Occupied Housing Units | | | | |
| Median Household Income | \$30,216 | \$42,485 | \$28,024 | \$39,939 |
| Percent of Individuals | 10.9% | 9.5% | 12.5% | 11.2% |
| Below Poverty Level | | | | |
| Percent of Unemployed | 5.4% | 3.3% | 5.9% | 3.6% |
| Civilian Labor Force | | | | |
| Percent of Population Under | 8.5% | 7.9% | 8.6% | 8.0% |
| 5 Years of Age | | | | |
| Percent of Households with | 35.6% | 34.4% | 32.9% | 32.1% |
| Own Children Under 18 | | | | |
| Years of Age | | | | |
| Percent of Population 65 | 11.4% | 11.4% | 12.4% | 11.9% |
| Years and Over | | | | |

Figure 1 shows the distribution of different values of owner occupied homes in Wichita and Sedgwick County by census tract and the block group areas within each census tract. Figure 8 of the previous report in this series (Part 3) showed the distribution of owner-occupied housing in Wichita and Sedgwick County. Generally the owner-occupied homes with the highest values were found in the northwest and northeast fringe portions of the Wichita urbanized area. Homes with the lowest values were found in the older central core areas of Wichita.

Figure 2 shows median household income distribution throughout Wichita and Sedgwick County. As with the value of owner-occupied homes, the highest median household income areas are in the northwest and northeast fringe portions of the Wichita urbanized area. The lowest median income areas are located in the central northeast areas of Wichita close to downtown.

Figures 3 and 4 show percentage distribution for poverty and unemployment respectively. The hardest hit areas for poverty and unemployment are concentrated in the central core area of Wichita, especially north and east of downtown.

Figures 5 through 7 show percentage distributions related to age. Figures 5 and 7 are based upon data for individuals, while Figure 6 is based upon household data.

Figure 5 shows the highest concentration of population of individuals less than five years of age situated in the southeast areas of Wichita. The lowest concentrations of population under five years of age are found in the northeast areas of Wichita, and in the central northwest suburban areas.

Figure 6 shows the largest concentration of households with children under age 18 located in the southeast and northwest fringes of the Wichita urbanized area. This contrasts with **Figure 7** which shows the same areas to have the lowest concentrations of people age 65 and over. The highest percentage areas for those 65 and over are generally two to three miles northwest and southeast from downtown Wichita, in suburbs developed during the 1950's and 1960's. One other notable higher percentage area for senior citizens is found in the northern part of Derby.













